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ASTON TOWNSHIP  
COMMISSIONERS MEETING  
December 17, 2014

Transcript of the ASTON TOWNSHIP BOARD OF  
COMMISSIONERS MEETING, taken before Lorraine Evans,  
Court Reporter-Notary Public, at the Township  
Building, 5021 Pennell Road, Aston, Pennsylvania  
19014, on Wednesday, December 17, 2014,  
commencing approximately at 7:00 p.m.

BOARD MEMBERS

JAMES M. STIGALE, PRESIDENT  
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JON FIRLEIN  
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JAMES W. MCGINN

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COMMISSIONER GRAHAM: I have something I  
want to read and present to you. Whereas, the  
Aston Township Board of Commissioners would  
like to thank Santa for taking time out of his  
very busy schedule to come to the township

6 building tonight and help us pay tribute and  
7 thank Santa's very special helper, Mr. John  
8 whitig.

9 whereas, John has played a very special  
10 part in Christmas season with all the children  
11 and residents of Aston Township starting with  
12 the first Christmas tree lighting ceremony at  
13 the Aston Township Community Center in 1997.

14 whereas, the Board of Commissioners knows  
15 that it takes a very special person to perform  
16 the duties he does and give so generously of  
17 his time at this special time of the year.

18 Now, therefore, be it proclaimed that the  
19 Aston Township Board of Commissioners, along  
20 with the Aston Business Professional  
21 Association and the residents of Aston Township  
22 give a sincere thank you to Mr. John whitig.

23 Duly proclaimed this 17th day of December,  
24 2014, Aston Township Board of Commissioners,

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1 James Stigale, President, Michael Higgins,  
2 Vice-President, V. Michael Fulginiti,  
3 Commissioner First Ward, myself Commissioner  
4 Second Ward, Mark Osborn, Commissioner Third  
5 ward, John Firlein, Commissioner Fourth ward  
6 and James McGinn, Commissioner Fifth Ward, and  
7 attested by township secretary Richard D. Lehr.  
8 Thank you very much Santa.

9 (Applause)

10 PRESIDENT STIGALE: Thanks for coming by  
11 Santa. You have got a busy schedule.

12 "SANTA": Thank you Aston Township  
13 Commissioners and Aston Business and  
14 Professional Association. I worked with you  
15 for 38 years and it's been great to be a part  
16 of Aston Township. The people are just super.  
17 I have watched their Community Day grow and  
18 grow and grow, and now the Santa event has  
19 gotten bigger and bigger each year. It's been  
20 a great thing to be a part of. Thank you.

21 (Applause)

22 PRESIDENT STIGALE: Thank you, Santa.

23 COMMISSIONER GRAHAM: Thank you to the  
24 Fire Company for delivering him here tonight.

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1 Thank you very much.

2 PRESIDENT STIGALE: With that, I would  
3 like to call the Aston Township Board of  
4 Commissioners meeting for Wednesday,  
5 December 17, 2014 to order. Please rise for  
6 the Pledge of Allegiance.

7 (Pledge of Allegiance)

8 PRESIDENT STIGALE: Remain standing for a  
9 moment please.

10 COMMISSIONER HIGGINS: Good evening  
11 everyone. I have some obituaries to read since  
12 the last meeting, I have seven of them. First  
13 of all, Prudencia Bigas, 87 year old lady who  
14 lived most of her life, adult life, in the  
15 Fifth ward, Josef Pusztay, 67 years old, Seventh  
16 ward resident for 42 years, Jack Babin, young

17 man 21 years of age, Andrew Martinoble, 75 year  
18 old gentleman and long time resident of the  
19 First Ward and Roy Dempsey, 50 year old former  
20 Third ward resident, born and raised in Aston  
21 who recently moved to Mississippi. Many of you  
22 associated with Aston Valley Baseball will  
23 recall Mr. Dempsey serving as coach and  
24 president for three years. Bernice Oberg,

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1 Bernice was 87, former resident of both the  
2 Fourth and Sixth wards for over 60 years.  
3 Mrs. Oberg was active in both community service  
4 and politically. She was active in the Aston  
5 American Legion and the Aston Lion's Club and  
6 was past president. And finally, Jerry  
7 Connolly, resident of the Second Ward for the  
8 past 21 years. Moment of Silence.

(Moment of Silence)

10 COMMISSIONER HIGGINS: Thank you. One  
11 other thing, former Commissioner Bob Willoughby  
12 is in the hospital of the University of  
13 Pennsylvania. He's dealing with a very serious  
14 illness and I would ask you to keep Bob in your  
15 prayers. Thank you.

16 PRESIDENT STIGALE: Before we get into the  
17 agenda, as is customary, we have some  
18 statements I would like to read at this time  
19 and if anyone has any questions about them, at  
20 the appropriate time in the meeting we can talk  
21 about it. But we just want to read this.

22 Please be advised it has come to the

23 Board's attention not all of the payroll  
24 filings and remittances were made by the

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1 payroll vendor on behalf of Aston Township.  
2 The Board has taken the following steps to  
3 protect all Aston Township employees.

4 We directed the township auditor to work  
5 and coordinate with the IRS to determine  
6 exactly the amount of the underpayment. Have  
7 all our accounts paid in full.

8 Have the township attorneys take whatever  
9 legal action is warranted to recover  
10 non-payments.

11 And we initiated an internal review of  
12 Aston Township's accounting practices to ensure  
13 that the proper procedures are in place.

14 And unfortunately that's all we can say  
15 about that at this time. We are aware of it  
16 and are on top of it.

17 Another statement I would like to read in  
18 reference to last months's meeting. Questions  
19 arose at the November 19th Commissioners'  
20 meeting with respect to the proposed amendment  
21 to the lease with American Tower for the cell  
22 tower located on Gamble Road.

23 This tower is one of two cell towers that  
24 are located on township property. The second

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1 tower is at the Municipal Building property

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located on Pennell Road.

Aston receives monthly rentals for each cell tower. The proposed lease amendment will restructure the lease with a 49 year term. In exchange for this longer term, Aston Township will receive a lump sum payment.

The Board of Commissioners have stated that this payment will be used to match future grant applications. There is the potential that the proceeds that Aston receives from the restructured lease will bring in more than four million dollars in local grants for infrastructure improvements to Aston's streets, parks and storm water management facilities. These improvements will be at no cost to Aston residents, assuming approval of the grants.

The Board of Commissioners has directed the administration to reduce expenses to match the potential reduction in annual income resulting from the restructured lease.

We are doing that with our Public Works Department, asking them to do a little more to help improve our infrastructure.

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The Board of Commissioners has decided that this it is in the best interest of Aston to restructure this lease agreement and to retain the monthly payments from the second cell tower lease at the municipal building.

So that just clarifies some of the questions that arose at the last meeting.

8           And at this time I would like to call on  
9 Commissioner Higgins for the DCIU statement.

10           COMMISSIONER HIGGINS: Thank you. The  
11 Aston Township Planning Commission held its  
12 second meeting on December 10, 2014 to again  
13 consider the revised land development  
14 application and site plans submitted by the  
15 Delaware County Intermediate Unit, DCIU, for  
16 expansion of the Delaware County Technical  
17 School, DCTS, on Crozerville Road.

18           The Planning Commission reviewed the  
19 latest round of revised site plans, storm water  
20 management calculations and the revised traffic  
21 study submitted to the township on November 11,  
22 2014 and the township engineer's review letter,  
23 third submission, dated December 5, 2014.

24           Additionally the Planning Commission performed

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1           a follow-up on other open items from the last  
2 meeting that was held on September 24, 2014.

3           After reviewing the revised site plans and  
4 considering the information presented by the  
5 applicant's engineer, architect and traffic  
6 engineer, the Planning Commission voted not to  
7 approve the Land Development Application. The  
8 Commission felt that a number of prior and new  
9 concerns of a critical nature were not  
10 addressed or answered to their satisfaction,  
11 for example, fire lanes, emergency evacuation  
12 staging areas, evacuation procedures, storm

13 water issues, bus staging and traffic  
14 recommendations.

15 Further, the Planning Commission felt the  
16 current Land Development Plan is not in the  
17 best interest of the adjacent residents and the  
18 surrounding residential areas.

19 The DCIU will have an opportunity to  
20 submit revised plans and address the open  
21 issues at which time another Planning  
22 Commission meeting will be scheduled.

23 No meeting date has yet to be set for the  
24 conditional use hearing.

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1 Again, we remain committed to keeping you  
2 informed of all public meetings and will  
3 advertise the dates, times and locations in the  
4 Delaware County Daily Times, on the public  
5 access t.v. channels and the township website.  
6 Thank you.

7 PRESIDENT STIGALE: Thank you,  
8 Commissioner Higgins. Moving on, need a motion  
9 to approve the bills and payroll.

10 COMMISSIONER MCGINN: Motion to approve  
11 the bills and payroll.

12 COMMISSIONER FIRLEIN: Second.

13 PRESIDENT STIGALE: Motion and second.  
14 Questions or comments? All in favor? Opposed?  
15 The "ayes" have it.

16 (Whereupon, all Commissioners  
17 present vote "aye.")

18 PRESIDENT STIGALE: Need a motion to

19 approve the treasurer's report.

20 COMMISSIONER MCGINN: Motion to approve  
21 the treasurer's report.

22 COMMISSIONER OSBORN: Second.

23 PRESIDENT STIGALE: Motion and second.

24 Questions or comments? All in favor? Opposed?

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1 The "ayes" have it.

2 (Whereupon, all Commissioners  
3 present vote "aye.")

4 PRESIDENT STIGALE: Need a motion to  
5 approve the minutes of the regular meeting of  
6 November 19, 2014.

7 COMMISSIONER MCGINN: Motion to approve  
8 the minutes of the regular meeting of November  
9 19, 2014.

10 COMMISSIONER FIRLEIN: Second.

11 PRESIDENT STIGALE: Motion and second.

12 Questions or comments? All in favor? Opposed?

13 The "ayes" have it.

14 (Whereupon, all Commissioners  
15 present vote "aye.")

16 PRESIDENT STIGALE: Moving on to  
17 Proclamations. And the first one I would like  
18 to do. Township of Aston, Delaware County  
19 Pennsylvania Proclamation.

20 whereas, the Board of Commissioners,  
21 Township of Aston, Delaware County,  
22 Pennsylvania desires to honor Andrew Higgins on  
23 his promotion to Eagle Scout; and



4 in the Class of 2014 Senior Variety Show, was a  
5 member of the Ultimate Frisbee Club, plays  
6 guitar and records music.

7 whereas, Andrew's Board of Review for the  
8 BSA eagle rank, where he was awarded the rank  
9 of Eagle Scout, was held in the Media  
10 Courthouse on June 25, 2014.

11 Now, therefore, be it proclaimed that the  
12 Board of Commissioners recognizes Eagle Scout  
13 Andrew Higgins.

14 Duly proclaimed this 17th day of December,  
15 2014.

16 Congratulations, Andrew.

17 (Applause)

18 PRESIDENT STIGALE: Family want to come up  
19 and get a picture? Congratulations. That's  
20 actually a great idea what he did. If you ever  
21 get out to the parks, you can take a look at  
22 his work.

23 Next one is Township of Aston, Delaware  
24 County, Pennsylvania Proclamation. Whereas,

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1 the Board of Commissioners, Township of Aston,  
2 Delaware County, Pennsylvania desires to honor  
3 Kyle Andreoli-Brown on his promotion to Eagle  
4 Scout; and

5 whereas, the committee and members of BSA  
6 Troop 292 are pleased to announce the promotion  
7 to the rank of Eagle Scout to Kyle  
8 Andreoli-Brown, of Aston, Pennsylvania. Kyle

9 is the son of Dawn Andreoli and Karen Brown.  
10 Kyle resides at 32 Pancoast Avenue in Aston, PA  
11 19014. Kyle is a senior at Sun Valley High  
12 School.

13 whereas, Kyle crossed over to Boy Scout  
14 Troop 292 in March 2008 where he embarked on  
15 the trail to Eagle, learning and mastering many  
16 scout and life skills. Along with the required  
17 merit badges, he earned leatherwork,  
18 Indian Lore, wilderness survival, art and  
19 pioneering. Kyle completed safe swim defense,  
20 safety a float, weather hazards, physical  
21 wellness and prevent harassment and  
22 discrimination to fulfill requirements to work  
23 the summer of 2013 at Boy Scout Camp Resica  
24 Falls.

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1 whereas, Kyle served the troop in a number  
2 of leadership positions, including Senior  
3 Patrol Leader, Assistant Patrol Leader and  
4 Quartermaster. Kyle's Eagle project included  
5 painting the exterior of Green Ridge Fire  
6 House. The project consisted of planning,  
7 organizing, and leading a crew of adult  
8 leaders, fellow scouts, friends and family  
9 members painting the building over a weekend.  
10 This project required over 333 service hours.

11 whereas, Kyle's interests and involvement  
12 goes beyond scouting. As a student at Sun  
13 Valley, he actively participated in the Health  
14 and Career Occupation program which consists of

15 observing the operations and procedures at  
16 local hospitals, the commanding officer for the  
17 Jr. ROTC program, track, swim team, elite choir  
18 and a member of Sun Valley Football Team.

19 whereas, Kyle's Board of Review for the  
20 BSA Eagle Rank, where he was awarded the rank  
21 of Eagle Scout, was held in the Media  
22 Courthouse on October 22, 2014.

23 Now, therefore, be it proclaimed that the  
24 Board of Commissioners recognizes Kyle

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1 Andreoli-Brown.

2 Duly proclaimed this 17th day of December,  
3 2014. Congratulations.

4 (Applause)

5 PRESIDENT STIGALE: For our next  
6 Proclamation we'll call on Commissioner Jim  
7 McGinn.

8 COMMISSIONER MCGINN: Thank you,  
9 Commissioner Stigale. Gives me great honor. I  
10 have known this gentleman for a long long time.  
11 He's a little bit older than me, but we lived  
12 on the same road for over sixty years.

13 whereas, the Aston Township Board of  
14 Commissioners desires to recognize and thank a  
15 gentleman in our township who has served as the  
16 Aston Township Deputy Health Officer since  
17 1996, and

18 whereas, this gentleman and his lovely  
19 wife, Eleanor, have lived in Aston Township for

20 62 years. They raised three sons, Jim, Ron and  
21 Kevin. They were actively involved with many  
22 sports programs throughout the years. A few  
23 years ago he was inducted into the Aston  
24 Township Sports Hall of Fame. He is very

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1 dedicated to his faith and the Church of St.  
2 Joseph. You always know he is happy when he  
3 can play a good game of golf with his many  
4 friends.

5 whereas, this gentleman has done an  
6 outstanding job with all responsibilities and  
7 duties as a Deputy Health Officer. He often  
8 has difficult and very delicate personal  
9 situations to deal with. The Township and its  
10 residents have been very fortunate to have such  
11 a well respected, knowledgeable and dedicated  
12 man representing the Township of Aston as the  
13 Deputy Health Officer.

14 Now, therefore be it proclaimed that the  
15 Board of Commissioners along with the residents  
16 and business owners desires to thank and wish a  
17 well deserved retirement to James L. Talbot.

18 Proclaimed this 17th day of December,  
19 2014.

20 Signed by James Stigale, President of the  
21 Board, Michael Higgins, Vice-President,  
22 Commissioner Seventh Ward, V. Michael  
23 Fulginiti, Commissioner First Ward, Carol  
24 Graham, Commissioner Second Ward, Mark Osborn,

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1 Commissioner Third Ward, Jon Firlein,  
 2 Commissioner Fourth Ward, and myself, Jim  
 3 McGinn, Commissioner Fifth Ward, attested to by  
 4 Richard D. Lehr. All right Mr. Talbot, come on  
 5 up.

(Applause)

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 7 COMMISSIONER MCGINN: On behalf of the  
 8 township Proclamation, we would like to give  
 9 you a token of our appreciation for your well  
 10 dedicated service. I will take this back. We  
 11 have got to get one other Commissioner to sign  
 12 it. Bring the whole clan up to get a picture  
 13 taken.

14 PRESIDENT STIGALE: Congratulations. In  
 15 retirement I am sure you'll be playing a lot of  
 16 golf.

17 MR. TALBOT: Hopefully. I want to say I  
 18 only use the word thanks probably once, so  
 19 whenever I mention after that it's thanks to  
 20 who they are. I would like to really  
 21 acknowledge my family. There's five of them  
 22 here of the 17 who are the most wonderful  
 23 things in life.

24 I would like to congratulate or thank the

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1 Commissioners for bestowing this Proclamation  
 2 on me. I have had a lot of fun in 16 years,  
 3 some were good, some were bad, but you have to  
 4 take the good with the bad.

5 I would like to thank Chief Ruggieri. His  
6 Police Department and this Police Department of  
7 Aston is one of the finest I think in the  
8 world. They have helped me in my job immensely  
9 and that's all I can say about them. I hope he  
10 tells every one of those guys what they did and  
11 helped me in my job.

12 Next I would like to congratulate those  
13 two gentlemen over there, the scouts. This is  
14 what we need today. They're fine gentlemen and  
15 some of the things you read that they  
16 accomplished, I don't think I have done  
17 anything like that in 87 years.

18 Next I would like to say to my wonderful  
19 friends, I can't remember all their names  
20 because I can't see their faces. It's the  
21 Lehr's, everybody else that's there, it's  
22 really an honor to have somebody come to an  
23 occasion like this. And most of all there was  
24 four or five girls in the office that helped me

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1 immensely and I wasn't used to seeing girls in  
2 the office.

3 Janice is the head girl, I think there's  
4 Kelly, Eileen, Carol Thompson, Sharon Certo,  
5 and it used to be -- what's her name -- didn't  
6 want to say her name. That's it. Thank you  
7 and God bless you and have a Merry Christmas.

8 (Applause)

9 COMMISSIONER MCGINN: Jim, don't forget  
10 your watch.

11 MR. TALBOT: The last time I got a watch  
12 for retiring, had it two weeks and somebody  
13 broke into the house and stole my watch.

14 PRESIDENT STIGALE: Wait until you open  
15 the box. I would like to move onto the next  
16 Proclamation. Commissioner Firlein.

17 COMMISSIONER FIRLEIN: Thank you.  
18 Township of Aston, Delaware County,  
19 Pennsylvania Proclamation. Whereas, the Board  
20 of Commissioners, Township of Aston, desires to  
21 recognize a special resident of Aston Township;  
22 and

23 whereas, the Board of Commissioners wishes  
24 to congratulate and celebrate with her family

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1 and friends of this resident on the occasion of  
2 her 96th birthday which she will celebrate on  
3 Sunday, December 21st; and

4 whereas, Kathleen Keegan was born in  
5 Chester, PA and attended Immaculate Heart Grade  
6 School and Chester High School. She graduated  
7 in 1938 from Chester Hospital School of Nursing  
8 and started her career at Chester Hospital.  
9 Kathleen was one of the first in the area to  
10 mix penicillin for patients use. She was a  
11 dedicated nurse during the polio epidemic and  
12 had firsthand knowledge of the Iron Lung. In  
13 1947 Kathleen married James A. Keegan and took  
14 a break from nursing to raise her seven  
15 daughters.



22           behalf of the Board of Commissioners and all  
23           the township employees, fire, police, we wish  
24           to extend a healthy and speedy recovery to

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1           Commissioner Fulginiti's mother who is home  
2           recovering from a car accident. We wish her  
3           well. That's why Commissioner Fulginiti's not  
4           here with us tonight. He's home caring for his  
5           family. We wish her a speedy recovery. I  
6           wanted to bring that to your attention.

7                     Moving on, announce hiring of Matthew  
8           Curry as a part-time police officer.  
9           Commissioner McGinn.

10                    COMMISSIONER MCGINN: Thank you,  
11           Commissioner Stigale. I would like to make a  
12           motion that this board appoints Matthew Curry  
13           of Aston, to the position of part-time  
14           probationary officer at an hourly salary of  
15           \$20.39. Once hired Matthew Curry will undergo  
16           a one-year probationary period.

17                    This appointment has the following  
18           conditions: Matthew Curry must successfully  
19           pass a complete physical and psychological  
20           examination administered by a physician  
21           appointed by Aston Township.

22                    If Mr. Matthew Curry fails to pass the  
23           examinations required this appointment is  
24           immediately withdrawn.

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1 The hiring date of Officer Matthew Curry  
2 is January 12, 2015 which may be extended by  
3 the Chief of Police for any reason form of a  
4 motion.

5 COMMISSIONER OSBORN: Second.

6 PRESIDENT STIGALE: Motion and second.  
7 Questions or comments? All in favor? Opposed?  
8 The "ayes" have it.

9 (Whereupon, all Commissioners  
10 present vote "aye.")

11 PRESIDENT STIGALE: I would like to move  
12 on to Line Item 12, announce the hiring of  
13 Joseph Walsh as part-time police officer.  
14 Commissioner McGinn, please.

15 COMMISSIONER MCGINN: I would like to make  
16 a motion that this Board appoints Joseph Walsh  
17 of Aston, to the position of part-time  
18 probationary officer at an hourly salary of  
19 \$20.39. Once hired Joseph Walsh will undergo a  
20 one-year probationary period.

21 This appointment has the following  
22 conditions: 1. Joseph Walsh must successfully  
23 pass a complete physical and psychological  
24 examination, administered by a physician

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1 appointed by Aston Township.

2 If Mr. Joseph Walsh fails to pass the  
3 examinations required this appointment is  
4 immediately withdrawn.

5 The hiring date of Officer Joseph Walsh is  
6 January 12, 2015, which may be extended by the

7 Chief of Police for any reason, form of a  
8 motion.

9 COMMISSIONER OSBORN: Second.

10 PRESIDENT STIGALE: Questions or comments?

11 All in favor? Opposed? The "ayes" have it.

12 (whereupon, all Commissioners  
13 present vote "aye.")

14 PRESIDENT STIGALE: Move on to Committee  
15 Reports. Commissioner Firlein.

16 COMMISSIONER FIRLEIN: Due to the  
17 Christmas season, Aston Township Offices and  
18 Public Works Department will be closed on  
19 Thursday, December 25th, and Friday December  
20 26th for the Christmas season and also January  
21 1, 2015 New Years Day.

22 All Monday and Tuesday trash, recycling  
23 will be picked up on Monday, December 22nd.

24 All Wednesday and Thursday trash recycling

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1 will be picked up on Tuesday, December 23rd.

2 All Friday trash, recycling will be picked  
3 up on Wednesday, December 24th.

4 All Thursday trash and recycling will be  
5 picked up on Friday, January 2. Thank you.

6 PRESIDENT STIGALE: Thank you,  
7 Commissioner Firlein. Commissioner Osborn  
8 please.

9 COMMISSIONER OSBORN: Thank you, President  
10 Stigale. Good evening. First I have the  
11 financial report as of December 2014. Cash on

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hand as of 1/1/14, \$2,497,323.69. Receipts,  
13 \$10,855,861.59. Expenditures, actual payments,  
14 \$11,550,054.33. Leaves a cash balance as of  
15 12/12/14 of \$2,654,703.62.

16 The breakdown of cash on hand, the TD  
17 general bank fund, \$2,526,515.78, TD liquid  
18 fuel account, \$128,187.82, and cash on hand in  
19 the form of the TD T bill, \$1,053,821.75. Out  
20 of that pertinent items from the -- Mr.  
21 DuVuono's treasurer's report, the closing  
22 balance as of 11/30/14 of the general fund,  
23 \$4,244,401.57.

24 The balance of liquid fuels at that point

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1 was \$137,747.98 and cash balance altogether on  
2 that date, \$4,382,149.55. There are a number  
3 of other accounts, I am not going to read them  
4 all, the revenue, but the bottom line as of  
5 11/30/14, total cash of all accounts on hand at  
6 that date was \$6,104,593.64. And as you all  
7 know, I say if anyone wants to see the details,  
8 it's up here. Come after the meeting. Come up  
9 and see it after the meeting. Thank you, Mr.  
10 Stigale.

11 PRESIDENT STIGALE: Thank you,  
12 Commissioner Osborn. Commissioner Higgins,  
13 please.

14 COMMISSIONER HIGGINS: Thank you. I have  
15 two reports tonight on the Buildings and Codes,  
16 one for November 19. It's a report for permits  
17 and licenses issued during the month of

18 October. Beginning balance \$336,298.00. Total  
19 income from building permits and general  
20 contractor licenses, \$25,727.00, total  
21 electrical, \$978.00, plumbing and heating,  
22 \$4,853.00, income from other licenses, Board of  
23 Health, \$100.00, Certificates of Occupancy,  
24 \$5,830.00. Total revenue collected during the

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1 month of November, \$37,488.00, and as of the  
2 end of October the total revenue collected for  
3 the year, \$373,786.00 compared to last year at  
4 this time, \$793,662.00.

5 And now November. As of November 17 --  
6 December 17 for the month of November,  
7 beginning balance \$373,786.00. Total income  
8 from building permits and general contractor  
9 licenses, \$18,976.00, electrical, \$499.00,  
10 plumbing and heating, \$7,806.00, income from  
11 other licenses, Board of Health, \$250.00,  
12 Certificates of Occupancy, \$3,150.00 and total  
13 revenue collected for the month of December,  
14 \$30,681.00 and total for 2014, \$404,467.00  
15 compared to November, 2013, \$813,059.00. The  
16 reason it's only half as much, probably sound  
17 like a broken record, a lot of work was done on  
18 the PennDelco School District buildings and  
19 that money was collected last year. That's all  
20 I have. Thank you.

21 PRESIDENT STIGALE: Thank you,  
22 Commissioner Higgins. Commissioner Graham.

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23 COMMISSIONER GRAHAM: Thank you, President  
24 Stigale. Aston-Beechwood Volunteer Fire

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1 Company fire report for October 2014.  
2 Submitted by Jeffrey Kane, Chief. Fire calls  
3 for October 29, ambulance calls for October  
4 2014, 114.

5 Aston Beechwood Volunteer Fire Company  
6 fire report, submitted by Jeffrey Kane for  
7 November 2014, fire calls 31, ambulance calls  
8 for November 116.

9 Green Ridge Volunteer Fire Company fire  
10 and EMS report for November 2014. Fire calls  
11 51, EMS calls 23. Total calls 74. Fire  
12 companies would also like everyone to know that  
13 any resident who is in need of a smoke detector  
14 is asked to send an e-mail to Green Ridge 63  
15 dot com, or simply call the station and one of  
16 their members will come out and install proper  
17 installation of the smoke detector.

18 I also am going to read the release that  
19 the New Aston Township Fire Department has put  
20 on. We have it on our t.v. and also I believe  
21 on the website. But I am going to read it for  
22 anyone that hasn't seen it.

23 They state we are the Aston Township Fire  
24 Department. We are your neighbors, your

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1 co-workers, your family members. We have  
2 served the community since 1942 as members of

3 the Green Ridge Volunteer Fire Company and the  
4 Aston Beechwood Volunteer Fire Company.

5 The Aston Township Fire Department's  
6 mission is a full service fire protection and  
7 emergency medical service public safety agency  
8 serving the citizens of Aston Township,  
9 Pennsylvania. We are dedicated to the  
10 protection of the lives and property of our  
11 residents and community, and strive to deliver  
12 excellence in our commitment to quick and  
13 efficient fire rescue and emergency medical  
14 services response and to disseminate public  
15 safety and fire prevention education.

16 We will officially become Aston Township  
17 Fire Department, your local fire and EMS  
18 department, on January 1st, 2015. This will  
19 have no effect on how emergency fire and EMS  
20 services are being delivered currently. There  
21 will be no disruption in services to the  
22 residents, businesses and commuters in Aston  
23 Township.

24 They also state: Become a volunteer.

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1 Have fire rescue, emergency medical training,  
2 are willing to learn, contact them. Have  
3 skills in public relations, marketing,  
4 accounting, business management, education and  
5 willing to help your community, join your  
6 hometown team. You don't have to crawl into  
7 burning buildings to be able to help.

8                   Contribute to the fire and EMS fund  
9                   drives, support upcoming fundraisers and any  
10                  upcoming contribution opportunities in the  
11                  future. The Aston Township Fire Department,  
12                  One Town, One Team, Your Hometown Team. Thank  
13                  you. That's all I have, President Stigale.

14                 PRESIDENT STIGALE: Nice logo. Thank you,  
15                 Commissioner Graham. Commissioner McGinn  
16                 please.

17                 COMMISSIONER MCGINN: Police report.  
18                 Incidents handled, 735, accident investigations  
19                 51, criminal investigations 47. Clearance Rate  
20                 Part I 17 percent, Clearance Rate Part II, 83  
21                 percent.

22                 From the Aston Senior Citizens. The  
23                 January meeting of the Aston seniors will take  
24                 place on Thursday, January 22nd at 10:45 a.m.

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1                 at the Aston Community Center. Tickets can be  
2                 purchased no later than Friday, January 16.  
3                 Cost for the tickets are \$10.00. Call Stan  
4                 wocheck at 610-494-5434 for information. Bingo  
5                 will be played. Seniors in the PennDelco  
6                 School District, which includes Aston,  
7                 Brookhaven and Parkside, are ages 55 and older  
8                 are welcome to join the Aston Seniors anytime  
9                 throughout the year. New members must submit  
10                 an application, which can be obtained by  
11                 calling Stan wocheck at 610-494-5434.  
12                 Membership dues are \$10.00. Submitted by  
13                 Diane. That's all I have, sir.

14 PRESIDENT STIGALE: Thank you,  
15 Commissioner McGinn. At this time I would like  
16 to open the floor to the public for agenda  
17 items only. If anyone has anything step to the  
18 podium, state your name and address. Agenda  
19 items only. Seeing none, move on to new  
20 business. Line item A, consider adoption of  
21 the 2015 budget. Commissioner Osborn, please.

22 COMMISSIONER OSBORN: Thank you, President  
23 Stigale. I want to start with a little  
24 statement about, first off, I apologize for not

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1 being here last month. There was a little  
2 confusion that might have been able to be  
3 solved, maybe not. I was out for surgery. I  
4 apologize for that.

5 But what we are doing here tonight is at  
6 the last meeting we adopted a preliminary  
7 budget, which is what we have to do according  
8 to law. And in this meeting, we adopt the  
9 final budget.

10 In years past, recent years past, there's  
11 been no difference between one budget and the  
12 other so nothing had to be done. Now, since  
13 the last budget there are some differences in  
14 this budget, so what we have to do is read  
15 those changes, make a motion and vote on those,  
16 and we are going to make a motion and vote on  
17 the final budget.

18 The whole thing amounts to about twenty

19 grand. But it is the law, the way we're  
20 supposed to operate. The way we do operate.  
21 we haven't had to do it in recent times. I  
22 wanted to -- I figured it would be easier if I  
23 put that out front. This is what we have to  
24 do.

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1 Just a few items that were missed or  
2 misplaced or whatever you want to call it. All  
3 that being said, I am going to read a couple of  
4 statements.

5 Township of Aston, Delaware County  
6 Pennsylvania, fixing the real estate tax for  
7 2015 Ordinance number.

8 The Board of Commissioners of the Township  
9 of Aston hereby enact and ordain as follows:

10 Make a motion to amend the preliminary  
11 budget as follows: There's copies of the  
12 budget available. On page five of the budget,  
13 Item 415, delete \$1,500. That's item number  
14 one. Four items we are dealing with. On page  
15 six of the budget, Item 430, increase the line  
16 item from \$500.00 to \$2,000.00. This is for  
17 the township's portion of the Delaware County  
18 tax collection Commission's expense. It  
19 reflects they're raising their price. We had  
20 to add it accordingly.

21 On page 10 of the budget, Item 440,  
22 increase the line by \$10,000 as the township  
23 will continue to contract for janitorial  
24 services for the township building. On page 18

1 of the budget, Item 452, increase the line item  
2 by \$2,000.00 which will make the total line  
3 item \$42,000 for additional recreation  
4 programming.

5 In addition the administration is directed  
6 to make the following transfers in future years  
7 to permit funds to be available for future  
8 capital expense. In year 2017, \$100,000 from  
9 the general fund will be moved to the capital  
10 fund. This, as I said, for the recreation.

11 In year 2018, transfer \$200,000 from the  
12 general fund to the capital fund, and in year  
13 2019, transfer \$200,000 from the general fund  
14 to the capital fund.

15 I make a motion to adopt the 2015 budget  
16 as amended, in the form of a motion.

17 COMMISSIONER MCGINN: Second.

18 PRESIDENT STIGALE: I have a second.  
19 Questions or comments? All in favor? Opposed?  
20 The "ayes" have it.

21 (Whereupon, all Commissioners  
22 present vote "aye.")

23 PRESIDENT STIGALE: Line item B, consider  
24 adopting ordinance setting the 2015 real estate

1 taxes.

2 COMMISSIONER OSBORN: The Board of  
3 Commissioners of the Township of Aston hereby

4 enact and ordain as follows: The tax rate be  
5 and the same is hereby levied on all real  
6 property within said township subject to  
7 taxation for the fiscal year 2015 as follows:

8 Tax rate for general purposes, sum of 3.39  
9 mills on each \$100.00 of assessed valuation, or  
10 the sum of \$3.39 on each \$100.00 of assessed  
11 valuation.

12 Two, for debt purposes, the sum of point  
13 four six mills on each dollar of assessed  
14 valuation or \$.46 on each \$100.00 of assessed  
15 value.

16 Three, for fire protection purposes, sum  
17 of point one zero mills on each dollar of  
18 assessed valuation or the sum of \$.10 on each  
19 \$100.00 of assessed value.

20 Four, for library services purposes, the  
21 sum of point zero five mills on each dollar of  
22 assessed valuation or the sum of \$.05 on each  
23 \$100.00 of assessed value.

24 Total mills is four mills, which means no

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1 change, no raising the taxes.

2 Consider adopting an ordinance setting the  
3 2015 real estate tax. I make a motion to adopt  
4 an ordinance setting the 2015 real estate taxes  
5 as read, in the form of a motion.

6 COMMISSIONER MCGINN: Second.

7 PRESIDENT STIGALE: Motion and second.

8 Questions or comments? All in favor? Opposed?  
9 The "ayes" have it.

10 (whereupon, all Commissioners  
11 present vote "aye.")

12 PRESIDENT STIGALE: Line Item C, consider  
13 adopting a resolution approving the 2015 fee  
14 schedule. Commissioner Osborn.

15 COMMISSIONER OSBORN: Aston Township,  
16 Delaware County, Pennsylvania, Resolution 2014.  
17 Whereas, the Board of Commissioners, Aston  
18 Township, Delaware County Pennsylvania desire  
19 to amend the fee schedule established in  
20 Chapters 866, 1252, 1254, 1290, 1610 of the  
21 Aston Township Codified ordinance which  
22 chapters govern the issuance of certain  
23 permits, administration fees, application fees  
24 and escrow fees, zoning applications,

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1 conditional use hearing fees, Board of Health  
2 fees, fire inspection fees, all license fees  
3 and contractor's license; and

4 whereas, the Board of Commissioners,  
5 Township of Aston, Delaware County,  
6 Pennsylvania has previously decided that these  
7 fees may be amended at the discretion of the  
8 Board of Commissioners by way of Resolution;  
9 and

10 whereas, the Board of Commissioners, Aston  
11 Township, Delaware County, Pennsylvania  
12 believes that amending the said schedules to  
13 more accurately reflect the costs incurred by  
14 the township for the administration of these

15 matters is in the best interest of the health,  
16 safety and welfare of the residents of Aston  
17 Township; and

18           whereas, the Board of Commissioners,  
19 Township of Aston, Delaware County,  
20 Pennsylvania hereby resolves that the fee  
21 schedules attached hereto and incorporated  
22 herein by reference as though the same were  
23 more fully set forth herein at length, are  
24 hereby adopted by Resolution and incorporated

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1 into the subsequent Resolutions, as part hereof  
2 effective January 1, 2015.

3           I make a motion to adopt the resolution  
4 approving the 2015 fee schedule as written, in  
5 the form of a motion.

6           COMMISSIONER MCGINN: Second.

7           PRESIDENT STIGALE: Questions or comments?  
8 All in favor? Opposed? The "ayes" have it.

9                           (Whereupon, all Commissioners  
10 present vote "aye.")

11           COMMISSIONER OSBORN: Before we go on, I  
12 do have a comment. These things are available.  
13 Generally speaking, all of the fees are going  
14 down.

15           PRESIDENT STIGALE: Line Item D, consider  
16 adopting a resolution approving the 2015  
17 sanitation fee. Commissioner Osborn.

18           COMMISSIONER OSBORN: Okay. Aston  
19 Township, Delaware County, Pennsylvania  
20 Resolution 2014.

21           Whereas, the Board of Commissioners, Aston  
22 Township, Delaware County, Pennsylvania desires  
23 to set fee schedule pertaining to the  
24 sanitation collection fee; and

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1           Whereas, the Board of Commissioners,  
2 Township of Aston, Delaware County,  
3 Pennsylvania believes that setting the  
4 sanitation and collection fee to accurately  
5 reflect the costs incurred by the township in  
6 providing this service; and

7           Now, therefore, be it resolved that the  
8 Board of Commissioners, Aston Township,  
9 Delaware County, Pennsylvania establishes the  
10 fee for sanitation collection to be \$230.00  
11 annually for single family residents; and

12           Be it further resolved that the collection  
13 of the sanitation fee shall be in the same form  
14 and intended to be included on the real estate  
15 tax bill; and

16           Be it further resolved that the sanitation  
17 fee shall be subject to the identical  
18 collection periods as the real estate taxes  
19 including all provisions for discounts and  
20 penalties and that the effective date of the  
21 sanitation fee shall be January 1, 2015.

22           Resolved this 17th day of December, 2014.  
23 I make a motion to adopt the resolution  
24 approving the 2015 sanitation fee in the form

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1 of a motion.

2 COMMISSIONER MCGINN: Second.

3 PRESIDENT STIGALE: Motion and second.

4 Questions or comments? All in favor? Opposed?

5 The "ayes" have it.

6 (Whereupon, all Commissioners  
7 present vote "aye.")

8 PRESIDENT STIGALE: Line item E, consider  
9 approving lease extension with American Tower.  
10 Commissioner Osborn.

11 COMMISSIONER OSBORN: Is there any reading  
12 to do with that? I make a motion to approve  
13 the lease extension with American Tower, in the  
14 form of a motion.

15 COMMISSIONER MCGINN: Second.

16 PRESIDENT STIGALE: Questions or comments?  
17 All in favor? Opposed? The "ayes" have it.

18 (Whereupon, all Commissioners  
19 present vote "aye.")

20 PRESIDENT STIGALE: Line item F, place  
21 meeting in sine die. Commissioner Higgins.

22 COMMISSIONER HIGGINS: I make a motion to  
23 place the meeting in sine die.

24 COMMISSIONER MCGINN: Second.

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1 PRESIDENT STIGALE: Questions or comments?  
2 All in favor? Opposed? The "ayes" have it.

3 (Whereupon, all Commissioners  
4 present vote "aye.")

5 PRESIDENT STIGALE: At this time I would

6 like to turn to our solicitor, Beth  
7 Naughton-Beck to handle this.

8 MS. NAUGHTON-BECK: Thank you, President  
9 Stigale. Commissioners, before you tonight is  
10 proposed amendment to Chapter 1282.04  
11 sub-paragraph K which prohibits off-site  
12 advertising throughout the township. The Board  
13 is considering changing the language in this  
14 particular section. The Municipalities  
15 Planning Code requires that a public hearing be  
16 held if there are any changes to the zoning  
17 code.

18 The township sign ordinance is located in  
19 the zoning code therefore this hearing is  
20 necessitated. Before you is the proposed new  
21 language. Currently the language provides that  
22 no more than one off-site advertising sign is  
23 permitted for any person or land, no off-site  
24 sign shall exceed 10 square feet, all other

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1 regulations contained in this chapter shall  
2 apply.

3 The new proposed language reads: Except  
4 as permitted under Section 1282.09, no sign  
5 advertising a business, organization, event or  
6 the sale of a product or service not located or  
7 available on the property upon which the sign  
8 is located, or associated with the record  
9 owner, majority ownership is critical, of the  
10 parcel of land is permitted for any parcel of

11 land.

12 Just by way of clarification, the  
13 exception referenced, section 1282.09, is the  
14 billboard ordinance, and billboards are  
15 permitted by conditional use in the limited  
16 industrial district only. And that obviously  
17 permits off-site advertising.

18 So this is for township wide, it's  
19 prohibited and the purpose of the amendment is  
20 to clarify exactly what an off-site advertising  
21 sign looks like. And that's it. So at this  
22 point I am opening up the hearing for any  
23 comments.

24 PRESIDENT STIGALE: Anyone on the board  
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1 have a question?

2 COMMISSIONER HIGGINS: I have a comment.  
3 We've had a lot of problems with this sign  
4 ordinance, Commissioners, and what's there  
5 under 1282.04K is fine with me, but it's  
6 unclear, word organization implies a lot of  
7 things, it implies a business elsewhere, it  
8 could also imply the Aston Business  
9 Association, it could be Mount Hope, it could  
10 be PennDelco School District or anything else  
11 where we want to let people that own the signs  
12 advertise for community events and  
13 organizations.

14 It seems unclear here, and also it makes  
15 no reference to Amber Alerts, which I think  
16 needs to be inserted into this ordinance to

17 make it clear. We are saying that use the word  
18 organization, it's unclear to me. It needs to  
19 be reworded so that somebody with a sign,  
20 whether it be Dairy Queen, Fulginiti, whoever,  
21 they can advertise for community events. I  
22 don't think this makes it clear.

23 PRESIDENT STIGALE: Anyone else? Anybody  
24 from the public have any comments for this

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1 ordinance?

2 MS. NAUGHTON-BECK: That's all I have,  
3 Commissioner Stigale.

4 PRESIDENT STIGALE: I'd like to move onto  
5 Line Item H. Commissioner Higgins.

6 COMMISSIONER HIGGINS: Thank you. I make  
7 a motion to take the meeting out of sine die.

8 COMMISSIONER MCGINN: Second.

9 PRESIDENT STIGALE: All in favor?  
10 Opposed? The "ayes" have it.

11 (Whereupon, all Commissioners  
12 present vote "aye.")

13 PRESIDENT STIGALE: Moving on, next, line  
14 item I, consider a motion to appoint Leitzell  
15 and Economidis, PC as township auditors for  
16 2014. Commissioner Osborn please.

17 COMMISSIONER OSBORN: I make a motion to  
18 appoint Leitzell and Economidis PC as township  
19 auditors for 2014, form of a motion.

20 COMMISSIONER MCGINN: Second.

21 PRESIDENT STIGALE: Questions or comments?

22 All in favor? Opposed? The "ayes" have it.  
23 (Whereupon, all Commissioners  
24 present vote "aye.")

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1 PRESIDENT STIGALE: Line item J, consider  
2 motion to award Bonnett Associates Inc. a  
3 contract to develop a building program for  
4 municipal facilities. Commissioner Firlein.

5 COMMISSIONER FIRLEIN: Make a motion to  
6 award Bonnett Associates Inc. a contract to  
7 develop a building program for the Aston  
8 Municipal Facilities for a fee not to exceed  
9 \$50,000, form of a motion.

10 COMMISSIONER MCGINN: Second.

11 PRESIDENT STIGALE: Questions or comments?  
12 All in favor? Opposed? The "ayes" have it.  
13 (Whereupon, all Commissioners  
14 present vote "aye.")

15 PRESIDENT STIGALE: Line item K, approve  
16 the business associate agreement with Gallagher  
17 Benefit Services, Inc. Commissioner Firlein,  
18 please.

19 COMMISSIONER FIRLEIN: I make a motion to  
20 approve the business associate agreement with  
21 Gallagher Benefit Services Inc. in the form of  
22 a motion.

23 COMMISSIONER MCGINN: Second.

24 PRESIDENT STIGALE: Questions or comments?

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1 All in favor? Opposed? The "ayes" have it.

2 (Whereupon, all Commissioners  
3 present vote "aye.")

4 PRESIDENT STIGALE: Line item L, consider  
5 a motion approving the purchase agreement  
6 between Aston Township and Delaware County  
7 Public Schools Health Trust. Commissioner  
8 Firlein, please.

9 COMMISSIONER FIRLEIN: Make a motion to  
10 approve the purchase agreement between Aston  
11 Township and the Delaware County Public Schools  
12 Health Trust, in the form of a motion.

13 COMMISSIONER MCGINN: Second.

14 PRESIDENT STIGALE: Any questions or  
15 comments? All in favor? Opposed? The "ayes"  
16 have it.

17 (Whereupon, all Commissioners  
18 present vote "aye.")

19 PRESIDENT STIGALE: Line item M, consider  
20 a motion approving agreement with General Code  
21 Publishers to update the township codes.  
22 Commissioner Graham.

23 COMMISSIONER GRAHAM: Thank you, President  
24 Stigale. I make a motion to approve the

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1 agreement with General Code Publishers to  
2 update the township codes for a fee not to  
3 exceed \$22,000, in the form of a motion.

4 COMMISSIONER MCGINN: Second.

5 PRESIDENT STIGALE: Questions or comments?  
6 All in favor? Opposed? The "ayes" have it.

7 (whereupon, all Commissioners  
8 present vote "aye.")

9 PRESIDENT STIGALE: Line item N, announce  
10 resignation of Robert Naef from the Southwest  
11 Delaware County Municipal Authority.  
12 Commissioner Firlein.

13 COMMISSIONER FIRLEIN: I would like to  
14 announce the resignation of Robert Naef for the  
15 Southwest Delaware County Municipal Authority.

16 PRESIDENT STIGALE: Thank you. Line item  
17 O, consider a motion to set the 2015 holiday  
18 schedule for Aston. Commissioner Firlein.

19 COMMISSIONER FIRLEIN: Make a motion to  
20 approve the 2015 holiday schedule for Aston in  
21 the form of a motion.

22 COMMISSIONER OSBORN: Second.

23 PRESIDENT STIGALE: Motion and second.

24 Questions or comments? All in favor? Opposed?

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1 The "ayes" have it.

2 (whereupon, all Commissioners  
3 present vote "aye.")

4 PRESIDENT STIGALE: Line item P, consider  
5 refunding the amount of \$139.98 to Timothy  
6 Sapp, 2365 Hillside Drive, Folio Number  
7 02-00-01247-09, all records conclude that the  
8 taxes on this property were paid for the year  
9 2014. The court changed the assessment on the  
10 year noted. Commissioner Osborn.

11 COMMISSIONER OSBORN: Make a motion to  
12 refund the amount of \$139.98 to Timothy Sapp,

13 2365 Hillside Drive, Folio Number  
14 02-00-01247-09 all records conclude the taxes  
15 on this property were paid for the year 2014.  
16 The court changed the assessment on the year  
17 noted, in the form of a motion.

18 COMMISSIONER MCGINN: Second.

19 PRESIDENT STIGALE: Questions or comments?  
20 All in favor? Opposed? The "ayes" have it.  
21 (Whereupon, all Commissioners  
22 present vote "aye.")

23 PRESIDENT STIGALE: Line item Q, consider  
24 refunding the amount of \$6,626.29 to Anaheim

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1 Association Limited, 5110 Pennell Road, Folio  
2 Number 02-00-01919-00 and 02-00-01906-01. All  
3 records conclude that the taxes on this  
4 property were paid for the 2014 year. The  
5 court changed the assessment on the year noted.  
6 Commissioner Osborn.

7 COMMISSIONER OSBORN: Make a motion to  
8 refund the amount of \$6,626.29 to Anaheim  
9 Association Limited, 5110 Pennell Road, Folio  
10 number 02-00-01919-00 and 02-00-01906-01. All  
11 records conclude that the taxes on this  
12 property were paid for the year 2014. The  
13 court changed the assessment on the year noted,  
14 in the form of a motion.

15 COMMISSIONER GRAHAM: Second.

16 PRESIDENT STIGALE: Questions or comments?  
17 All in favor? Opposed? The "ayes" have it.

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18 (whereupon, all Commissioners  
19 present vote "aye.")

20 PRESIDENT STIGALE: Moving on to escrow  
21 releases. Commissioner Higgins.

22 COMMISSIONER HIGGINS: Thank you. Aston  
23 Township Delaware County, Pennsylvania  
24 Resolution. Whereas, Ordinance 240 and

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1 Ordinance 360 provide for escrow funds for  
2 completion of improvements; and

3 whereas, the Township Engineer and the New  
4 Construction Committee approved the request for  
5 escrow funds released for 10 Sunnybank Lane,  
6 project Aston File 1414-33.

7 Now, therefore, be it resolved that Aston  
8 Township execute such action as required by the  
9 township secretary and the President of the  
10 Board of Commissioners to release the sum of  
11 \$212.00 to Aston Township for engineering fees  
12 and the sum of \$38.00 to Steve Krauss.

13 Duly adopted this 17th day of December,  
14 2014, Township of Aston, James M. Stigale,  
15 President, Board of Commissioners, attested to  
16 by Richard D. Lehr, township secretary in the  
17 form of a motion.

18 COMMISSIONER MCGINN: Second.

19 PRESIDENT STIGALE: Motion and second.  
20 Questions or comments? All in favor? Opposed?  
21 The "ayes" have it.

22 (whereupon, all Commissioners  
23 present vote "aye.")

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COMMISSIONER HIGGINS: Next one, request  
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1 for escrow funds released for Aston Investment  
2 Associates, 200 Turner Way, Aston File 1414-23.  
3 And that's to release the sum of \$891.25 to  
4 Aston Investment Associates, in the form of a  
5 motion.

6 COMMISSIONER MCGINN: Second.

7 PRESIDENT STIGALE: Motion and second.  
8 Questions or comments? All in favor? Opposed?  
9 The "ayes" have it.

10 (whereupon, all Commissioners  
11 present vote "aye.")

12 COMMISSIONER HIGGINS: Finally the  
13 following escrows are for engineering fees to  
14 be paid to Aston Township for the month of  
15 November. Cell tower, 900 Tryens Road,  
16 \$1,926.25, cell tower, 4500 Concord Road,  
17 \$1,322.50, cell tower, 3210 Concord Road,  
18 \$1,063.75, Superior Plus, 2901 Dutton's Mill  
19 Road, \$150.00, all in the form of a motion.

20 COMMISSIONER MCGINN: Second.

21 PRESIDENT STIGALE: Questions or comments?  
22 All in favor? Opposed? The "ayes" have it.

23 (whereupon, all Commissioners  
24 present vote "aye.")

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1 COMMISSIONER HIGGINS: That's all.

2 PRESIDENT STIGALE: Thank you. At this

3 time we would like to open up the floor to the  
4 public for anything. Come to the podium, state  
5 your name and address.

6 A VOICE: Stephen Sarazin, 730 14th  
7 Avenue, Prospect Park. I'm the director of the  
8 Aston Public Library and I am just here to give  
9 my brief monthly report.

10 We are now holding our annual bookmark  
11 contest for kids in grades K through 8. An  
12 entry form can be picked up at the library.  
13 The deadline is February the 16th.

14 The Friends of the Library Frozen raffle  
15 is going on through noon tomorrow. The prize  
16 is a wide variety of items related to the movie  
17 Frozen. You can get one ticket for \$2.00,  
18 three for \$5.00 and seven for \$10.00. Have a  
19 look at the basket at the library.

20 Next up, The Friends of the Library will  
21 be raffling a football signed by LeSean McCoy.

22 Ms. Nancy, our new Children's Librarian,  
23 is doing storytime for pre-schoolers and  
24 toddlers on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 10:30

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1 a.m. She is sick right now. She's going to  
2 miss tomorrow. She's going to be back next  
3 week. Come see her and let your child enjoy a  
4 great program. Register through our calendar  
5 at [www dot Aston Library dot org](http://www.donot Aston Library dot org).

6 Infant storytime for babies up to age two  
7 is running in January on Wednesdays at 10:00  
8 a.m. There is still time to support the Aston

9 Public Library and have that tax deductible  
10 contribution count towards your 2014 taxes.  
11 You can pick up a donation form at the library  
12 at the front desk.

13 We are planning to host a free Federal and  
14 State income tax prep again, this year from  
15 Pathways EPA. To get on the list for free tax  
16 preparation e-mail me at Director at Aston  
17 Library dot org or call 610-494-5877 and ask  
18 for Stephen. More info will be on Aston  
19 Library dot org.

20 Encourage everyone to stop by our building  
21 and see all of the holiday displays, the  
22 Veteran's Tree, Shirley Temple dolls from the  
23 Historical Society, and the wonderful tree  
24 trimmings and other decorations set up by Jim

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1 and the other Community Center staff.

2 Questions for me?

3 COMMISSIONER OSBORN: Thank you very much.

4 PRESIDENT STIGALE: Thank you. Anyone  
5 else? Seeing none, I would like to move onto  
6 other business. Commissioner Firlein.

7 COMMISSIONER FIRLEIN: Congratulations to  
8 Andrew and Kyle for Eagle Scout. Keep up the  
9 good work.

10 Law enforcement Matt Curry, Joe Walsh,  
11 look forward to seeing them on board shortly.  
12 Kathleen, your 96th birthday, she left already,  
13 us seniors go to bed early. We'll catch up

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with her again.  
Christmas is coming up shortly. A lot of us have seniors that are neighbors, either live alone, stand alone, take a moment during the holiday season and check in, make sure they're okay, if they need something, if you have a family affair and you know they're alone, invite them over for Christmas dinner. Be neighborly.

Bob Naef, I want to thank you for your time and effort you put on for quite a few

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years on the Southwest Sewer Authority Board and at some point in time in the future we'll be naming a replacement for you. Thank you.  
PRESIDENT STIGALE: Thank you, Commissioner Firlein. Commissioner Osborn.  
COMMISSIONER OSBORN: Thank you, President Stigale. I would like to again congratulate the Eagle Scouts. It's quite an accomplishment. Happy to see Joe Walsh back on the job and Mr. Curry. They'll be, I am sure, assets added to an already great police force.  
Wish everybody a merry and safe Christmas and the last thing I would like to say on a personal note, I would like to thank everybody from the community, my ward, administration here and everyone for all the cards, e-mails, et cetera that I got while I was recuperating from my surgery. I really appreciate it. It really really helped. I will still be hobbling

20 for quite awhile. I was touched. I didn't  
21 advertise it, not too many people knew. Thank  
22 you very much. That's all I have. Thank you.

23 PRESIDENT STIGALE: Thank you,  
24 Commissioner Osborn. Welcome back.

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1 Commissioner Higgins.

2 COMMISSIONER HIGGINS: Thank you. Just  
3 want to ditto everything that prior  
4 Commissioners said in regard to those who got  
5 awards and the police and so forth.

6 Also we have a new business in town,  
7 Popeye's Louisiana Kitchen, site of the old  
8 Kentucky Fried Chicken. It's a great addition  
9 to that strip at that corner. I encourage  
10 people to go to that store, give them your  
11 business. And finally Merry Christmas. Thank  
12 you.

13 PRESIDENT STIGALE: Thank you,  
14 Commissioner Higgins. Commission Graham.

15 COMMISSIONER GRAHAM: Thank you, President  
16 Stigale. I also would like to congratulate Jim  
17 and Andrew, Kyle, Kathleen, Matt and Joe this  
18 evening, and a big thank you to Santa for  
19 accepting our Proclamation, and to our fire  
20 department again for delivering him in quite a  
21 festive manner.

22 Thank you Stephen, for your report, as  
23 usual, and I would like to take this time to  
24 thank everyone who helped to make our Christmas

1 tree lighting winter fun festival the great  
2 success it was, especially our Parks and  
3 Recreation Committee and wonderful volunteers  
4 and Public Works. And Merry Christmas to  
5 everyone. Have a safe Christmas and great New  
6 Year. Thank you.

7 PRESIDENT STIGALE: Thank you,  
8 Commissioner Graham. Commissioner McGinn.

9 COMMISSIONER MCGINN: Wish everybody Merry  
10 Christmas. Thank you. Good-bye.

11 PRESIDENT STIGALE: Mr. Granger.

12 MR. GRANGER: Nothing.

13 PRESIDENT STIGALE: Ms. Naughton-Beck?

14 MS. NAUGHTON-BECK: Nothing.

15 PRESIDENT STIGALE: Joe.

16 MR. VISCUSO: Just one announcement. We  
17 have a pre-construction meeting tomorrow. The  
18 township got a grant for the stream restoration  
19 for Weir Park, pre-construction meeting  
20 tomorrow. That project will be starting,  
21 winter project, get that work finished and  
22 completed before spring baseball next year  
23 2015. And happy holidays, Merry Christmas,  
24 Happy New Year.

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1 PRESIDENT STIGALE: Thank you, very much.  
2 I would like to say a couple of things. First  
3 one, once again continued prayers for  
4 Commissioner Fulginiti's mother for a speedy

5 and healthy recovery. First want to thank the  
6 board and the administration for all the hard  
7 work this year for laying the foundation for a  
8 new look that's going to happen next year in  
9 Aston Township.

10 There's a lot of hard work, lot of  
11 decisions we had to make this year. We laid  
12 the foundation for a lot of good things that  
13 are going to happen in our township, new  
14 streetscape, welcome signs, infrastructure,  
15 improvements that needed to be done. We are  
16 working hard to give this whole township a new  
17 look and make people feel good about being and  
18 living in Aston.

19 Between the Parks and Recreation with the  
20 Easter egg hunt, the concerts in the park, the  
21 tree lighting, the Community Day, all events  
22 that are held, it brings us all together and if  
23 we continue to work hard, we are going to give  
24 this township a new look.

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1 I want to thank everyone for the hard work  
2 and look forward to working with you next year.  
3 I really want to thank the residents. Coming  
4 over here tonight it was dark and put me in a  
5 cheerful mood with everybody's house lit up for  
6 the holidays. I want to thank everyone,  
7 beautiful homes, great job. Wish everyone a  
8 Merry Christmas and happy new year. Need a  
9 motion to adjourn.

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COMMISSIONER MCGINN: So move.

11 COMMISSIONER OSBORN: Second.

12 (Whereupon, the meeting is  
13 concluded at 8:15 p.m.)

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2 I HEREBY CERTIFY that I was present upon the  
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